



# MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # 026-2011

## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: January 26, 2011

SUBJECT: Board and Committee Biannual report

Pursuant to City Code Section 2-22(13)-"The Chairperson or his designee shall biannually submit a completed written report form, supplied by the City Administration, to the City Commission and City Manager."

"Additionally, the Chairperson or his/her designee shall annually present an oral report to the commission and the City Manager."

Attached for your perusal are the reports submitted to the City Clerk's Office.

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C: Robert Parcher, City Clerk  
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The following committees have not reported:

Beautification Committee

Disability Access Committee

Golf Advisory Committee

Marine Authority

Parks and Recreational Facilities Board

Production Industry Council

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Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)**CHAIRPERSON:** Robert Saland**CITY LIAISON:** Richard Bowman**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 0**ACTIVITY:**

No Meetings/No Activities

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Art in Public Places

**CHAIRPERSON:** Jeremy T. Chestler

**CITY LIAISON:** Dennis Leyva

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

Kevin Arrow – <i>Beatles Mandala</i> , AiPP Project Bandshell Park, location approved
Brian Tolle – <i>Untitled</i> , AiPP Project at Collins Park installed
Wendy Wischer – <i>Liquid Measures</i> , AiPP Project at Wash. Ave. & 3 <sup>rd</sup> St. installed
Tobias Rehberger – <i>Lighthouse</i> (working title), South Pointe Park approved
Charles O. Perry – <i>Untitled</i> , Scott Rakow Youth Center restored
Roy Lichtenstein – <i>Mermaid</i> , Fillmore Lawn stabilization treatment completed
MB Magazine – Art in Public Places
Vision Art in Public Places and Future Art Projects
Cracking Art Group – Temporary AiPP Project

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Flamingo Park – Discussion Call to Artists
Lummus Park Serpentine Walkway – Discussion Call to Artists
Website
Vision Art in Public Places and Future Art Projects
Presentations to schools Art in Public Places program
Art in Public Places Catalog
Amending Art in Public Places Ordinance
Installation Tobias Rehberger, <i>Lighthouse</i> , (working title) in South Pointe Park
Collaboration with MB Culture website

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

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Secretary to the Board**DATE OF REPORT:** - July through December 2010**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 6

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	DISCUSSION CONTINUED	WITHDRAWN
Jul 12	7	5		1	1
Aug 6	8	5		3	
Sep 1	4	2		1	1
Oct 8	7	3		2	2
Nov 5	8	7			1
Dec 3	6	4			1
Totals:	40	26		7	6

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANUAL REPORT FORM – PAGE 2 OF 2****BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** - FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT BOARD**CHAIRPERSON:** - DAVID LANCZ**CITY LIAISON:** - ANTOINETTE STOHL,  
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Sep 1	1			1	
Oct 8	4	1		2	1
Nov 5	7	6		1	
Dec 3	3	2			1
Totals:	20	14		4	2

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Budget Advisory Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** Marc Gidney

**CITY LIAISON:** Kathie Brooks

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June-Dec 2010**

**ACTIVITY:**

<b>6/15/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Update on Union Negotiations</li><li>○ Update on FY 2010/11 General Fund Budget</li></ul> |
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<b>6/29/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Police FY 2010/11 Budget Request</li></ul> |
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<b>7/13/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Update on Union Negotiations</li><li>○ Update on FY 2010/11 General Fund Budget</li></ul> |
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<b>8/10/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Update on FY 2010/11 General Fund Budget</li></ul> |
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<b>9/7/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Revenue Enhancements and Update on FY 2010/11 Budget</li></ul> |
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<b>11/9/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Overview of Employee Givebacks through 9/30/12<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Final Bargaining Agreements</li><li>● Pension Update</li></ul></li></ul> |
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<b>12/7/10 Meeting Agenda:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Finalize BAC Workplan for FY 2010/11</li></ul> |
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## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review City Management Model <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Model Overview</li> <li>• Budget Development</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Summary of FY 2010/11 General Fund Adopted Budget</li> <li>○ Discussion of Opportunities</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Finance Department Briefing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department Overview</li> <li>• Overview of Outstanding and Planned Bond Issues</li> <li>• Comparison of debt levels to other Cities</li> <li>• Status Report on Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Pension Reform</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ External Auditor Management Letter</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review of Fire and Police Contracts</li> <li>○ Evaluation of 2012 Contracts</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Preliminary 5-Year General Fund Projection</li> <li>○ General Fund Revenue Status</li> <li>○ 2010 Revenue Enhancement Study</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Preliminary General Fund High Level Projections for FY 2011/12</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Department Presentations/Committee Member Opinions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Property Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Internal Controls</li> </ul> </li> <li>• City Attorney <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Department Overview</li> <li>○ Pending Cases</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Parking</li> <li>• Code Compliance</li> <li>• Fire</li> <li>• Police</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

○ FY 2011/12 General Fund Preliminary Projections
○ Review of June 1 Preliminary Property Values and Impact on FY 2011/12 Projected Property Tax Revenues
○ FY 2011/12 Budget Status Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review of July 1 Certified Property Values and Impact on FY 2011/12 Projected Tax Revenues</li><li>• Proposed Budget Update</li></ul>

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Looked at the City's trend for expenses and what was necessary to be in line with future revenue, particularly in light of union negotiations.
Observed union negotiations process, reviewed long term budget of unions requests, revisited the impact as proposals changed
Review and commented on the budget. Some of the departments reviewed were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IT</li><li>• Parks &amp; Recreation</li><li>• Fleet Management</li><li>• Fire</li><li>• Police</li></ul>
Motion (LTC#202-2010): Committee recommended to the City Commission that it request that the Police Department conduct a Feasibility Study to review and recommend Technology options (such as use of cameras) that can reduce department expenses overall, and enable the Police Department to continue to effectively operate with equal or reduced headcount, such as by increasing surveillance and deterrence of crimes in the Entertainment District through the use of cameras.
Motion: Committee urged the Mayor to constitute a Blue Ribbon on Pension Reform, as soon as possible.



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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** C.I.P. OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
**CHAIRPERSON:** MAYOR MATTI H. BOWER  
**CITY LIAISON:** CHARLES O. CARREÑO, CIP DIRECTOR

(as of January 2011 City Liaison is Jorge Gomez, Assistant City Manager)

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2010:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

- Monthly meetings are held and televised on MBTV, as well as simulcast on the internet.
- Committee reviews contracts, financials, and procurement methods for Capital Improvement Project Program.
- Committee makes recommendations to Commission on activities of CIP program.
- Committee reviews items related to CIP projects that are included in City Commission consent agenda, proceeding with discussion at-length and making recommendation to Commission for adoption, rejection or further discussion.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

- Continue monthly meetings to review CIP Projects.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Acted in an advisory role to resolve resident concerns. As of late, there have not been many residents appearing before the Committee, showing that CIP has been successful in meeting the resident's needs.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Committee for Quality Education

**CHAIRPERSON:** Karen Rivo

**CITY LIAISON:** Dr. Leslie Rosenfeld

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010: 4 MEETINGS**

**ACTIVITY:**

August 2010:

- Motioned to expedite the completion of the extension of the drop off lane at Miami Beach Senior High School to improve traffic issues.
- Motioned, based on significant concerns regarding the cessation of school liaison officers at five Miami Beach schools, effective October 1, 2010, to request the City to continue funding the officers at each school or find an alternate method of filling the roles and services provided by the school liaison officers.
- Reviewed the Education Compact, including status of the IB Program
- Received update from PW on traffic issues

September 2010:

- Discussed parent workshops being held to educate parents about the portal
- Provided with update on IB Program authorization status
- Identified key priority areas of the Education Compact – to include cultural arts, health and wellness, communication, teacher retention, city support of student achievement; and parent and business involvement in schools.
- Discussed Nautilus tennis courts
- Identified abandoned buildings near MBSH where students are congregating; Code Compliance to follow up.

October 2010:

- Update provided by PW regarding traffic issues.
- Code compliance reported that abandoned buildings near MBSH are now boarded up;
- Tennis courts at Nautilus to be renovated in next few months
- Contracts with cultural facilities being reviewed to ensure educational opportunities.
- Interlocal agreement to be approved soon for completion of drop off lane at MBSH.

December 2010:

- Motioned to support the following four priorities of the Dade County school legislative plan for inclusion in the Miami Beach legislative proposal including level funding – receive same amount of funding per pupil that was received last year; replace federal stimulus funds with a long-term, stable source of revenue; eliminate penalties associated with class size non-compliance; and provide equitable funding for Dade County.
- Presentation provided by Principal Sidener on graduation rate/drop out data at MBSH, including strategies to reduce the drop out rate.
- QEC requested the City to facilitate a meeting with health care providers to address health care access in the schools. Several schools do not have health clinics.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Continue to work with PW to address traffic/safety issues

Continue to pursue increased access to health care for students in our schools

Continue to address key priorities of the Education Compact

Receive information about candy flavored tobacco sales


**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

School Traffic issues are being addressed as they are brought to the attention of the City and the County

School Resource Officer Positions have not been eliminated this year as requested by the QEC at August 24, 2010 meeting

Interlocal agreement has been approved to permit the completion of the drop off lane at Miami Beach Senior High .

Abandoned buildings near Miami Beach Senior High have been boarded up based on a request from QEC


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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Committee on the Homeless

**CHAIRPERSON:** Lisa Ware

**CITY LIAISON:** Katherine Martinez

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2010:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

Participated in Miami-Dade County Homeless Census in September 2010
Joined Homeless Outreach staff in conducting outreach to businesses along Washington Ave to inform them of services available to the homeless and what businesses should do if they have homeless concerns.
Continued to invite homeless services providers to Committee meetings in order to learn about services available in the community.
Discussed homeless issues affecting the community and provided Homeless Outreach staff with suggestions and recommendations.
Monitored the progress of services provided by the Homeless Services Program.

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Michael Bernstein

**CITY LIAISON:** Brian Gillis, Community Development Coordinator

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 0

**ACTIVITY:**

No meetings held since June 2010.

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**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Approximately six meetings to be held in 2011 to elect officers, review request for applications process, review applications and make funding recommendations.

Community Development Week April 4-10, 2011

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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Reviewed CDBG applications and made funding recommendations for FY 2010/11  
Action Plan

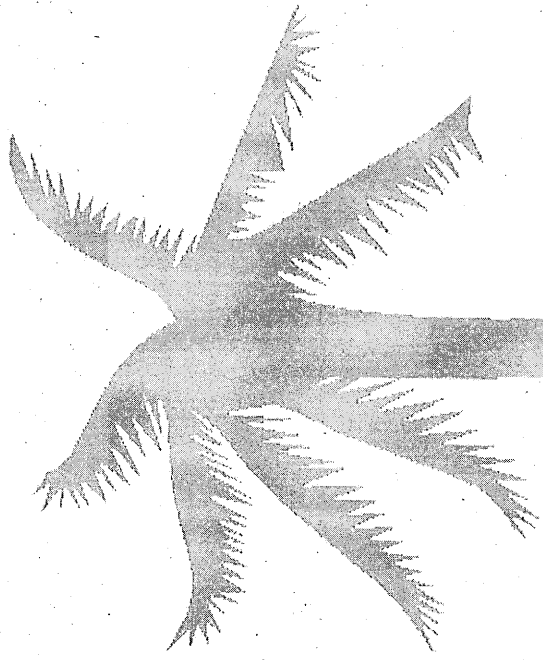
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**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 14****COMMUNITY RELATIONS BOARD****BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** COMMUNITY RELATIONS BOARD**CHAIRPERSON:** Brad Steven Fleet**CITY LIAISON:** Ms. Lynn Bernstein**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JANUARY 2010:** Eleven (11)**ACTIVITY & ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Continuing development and linkage of the S.M.I.L.E. PASS IT ON PROGRAM, which is an acronym for Service, Manners, Ideals, Leadership, and Excellence, since a smile has the power to connect people with one another and is contagious. Program Presented at the City Commission meeting of November 17, 2010. The mission statement of the program is to build awareness of the importance of civility and its positive effects on the community and the tourism industry, AND to encourage kindness, courtesy, and consideration to one another throughout the city. The program will serve as a prototype for potential roll-out to other cities. The program components include a website, cards, magnets, stickers, photos and stories featuring local citizens displaying acts of kindness and civility, to be shared on the website, MB magazine, MBTV, Miami Herald, etc. Please see attached presentation summary.
- Peace Pole Project. The Peace Pole project was started by the World Peace Society dedicated to uniting people across the World through the universal saying "May Peace Prevail on Earth". To date, more than 200,000 Peace Poles have been dedicated in over 190 countries. The Committee proposed that the City adopt the Peace Pole project and find an area for contemplation and meeting to engender a feeling of community, peace, and harmony. The Peace Pole will be permanently placed in the City of Miami Beach Botanical Garden. The Peace Pole, designed by Winsome Bolt from the Sunflower Society, has been made and is being temporarily stored at the Sunflower Society until installation. Unveiling ceremony upon the completion of the renovation of the Botanical Gardens.

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue to work on and expand S.M.I.L.E project both in subcommittee and CRB Board meetings including creating additional partnerships with other outside organizations and especially with our local Schools to get the kids involved.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue Peace Pole project with installation and a kick off event/"inauguration" on a date to be determined following renovations at the Miami Beach Botanical Garden.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue to hear complaints/grievances on allegations of discrimination on the grounds of race, religion, economic status, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, age or handicap.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue to invite guest speakers to educate CRB on issues that are relevant to the work of this Board and its ongoing projects.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Look for possible sources to print, at no cost, more of our new comment cards. Continue to follow up with all comments made and received both on our newly revised comment card and on-line.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore possible tie-ins with the "No Place for Hate Campaign".</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore possible tie-ins with Miami-Dade County CRB project called "I Am My Brothers Keeper" in which clergy is mobilized when there is a desecration of a house of worship. Explore the possibility of MB Community Relations Board to host a meeting of all of the Community Relations Boards from the different municipalities so that everyone can come together and exchange ideas.</li></ul>



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Smile.

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# MISSION STATEMENT

- To build awareness of the importance of civility and its positive effects on the community and the tourism industry
- To encourage kindness, courtesy and consideration in the City of Miami Beach



# THE PROGRAM

- *S.M.I.L.E...pass it on* is a civility/kindness program developed by the City of Miami Beach Community Relations Board.
- S.M.I.L.E. is an acronym for service, manners, ideals, leadership and excellence. A smile has the power to connect people with one another – it's contagious!
- The program will serve as a prototype for potential roll-out to other cities.





# PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- S.M.I.L.E. website launch on the City of MB website (Residents Portal)
- Program introduction and buy-in by the Mayor and City Commissioners
- S.M.I.L.E. movement – distribution of “tag you’re it” cards and car magnets/stickers
- S.M.I.L.E. photos and stories featuring local citizens displaying acts of civility in S.M.I.L.E. website, MB Magazine, MBTV, Herald Neighbors section, etc.
- S.M.I.L.E. events/contests for schools and the community

Tuesday, September 28, 2010

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S.M.I.L.E...pass it on!

The City of Miami Beach is proud to announce the launching of a new kindness campaign called S.M.I.L.E...pass it on! S.M.I.L.E. is an acronym for Service, Manners, Ideals, Leadership and Excellence.

The S.M.I.L.E. program was developed by the City's Community Relations Board to build awareness of the importance of civility and its positive effects on the community as well as to encourage kindness, courtesy and consideration in the City of Miami Beach.

Research shows us that emotions are contagious. When we feel good, we extend those positive feelings to the next person and are more apt to communicate in a more respectful and effective way. A smile can alter brain chemistry and when we feel better about the world around us, we pass it along... we pay it forward. Thus, our quality of life improves.

We who live, work or play in Miami Beach have a lot to smile about. This city is one of the most beautiful places in the country and we should feel fortunate to be here. So let's keep those smiles on our faces, and please pass it on!

WHY SMILE?

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SMILE PHOTOS

WHO'S SMILING?

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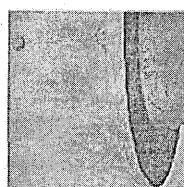
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## TOP TEN REASONS TO SMILE



### 1. Smiling Makes Us Attractive

We are drawn to people who smile. There is an attraction factor. We want to know a smiling person and figure out what is so good. Frowns, scowls and grimaces all push people away -- but a smile draws them in.

### 2. Smiling Changes Our Mood

Next time you are feeling down, try putting on a smile. There's a good chance you mood will change for the better. Smiling can trick the body into helping you change your mood.

### 3. Smiling Is Contagious

When someone is smiling they lighten up the room, change the moods of others, and make things happier. A smiling person brings happiness with them. Smile lots and you will draw people to you.

### 4. Smiling Relieves Stress

Stress can really show up in our faces. Smiling helps to prevent us from looking tired, worn down, and overwhelmed. When you are stressed, take time to put on a smile. The stress should be reduced and you'll be better able to take action.

### 5. Smiling Boosts Your Immune System

Smiling helps the immune system to work better. When you smile, immune function improves possibly because you are more relaxed. Prevent the flu and colds by smiling.

### 6. Smiling Lowers Your Blood Pressure

When you smile, there is a measurable reduction in your blood pressure. Give it

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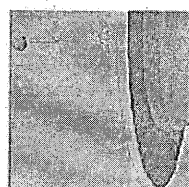
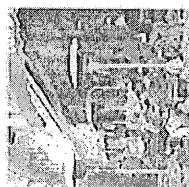
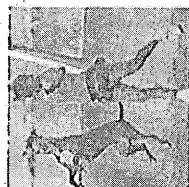
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## S.M.I.L.E STORIES



It was the first time I ever used public transportation here in Miami. I was confused and did not understand the map I was being referred to. A few people were waiting nearby, but everyone looked unapproachable. After trying one more time to understand the map, I made eye contact with a woman who was walking up and showed her a smile. Her expression loosened right away and she smiled back, thus helping me get to where I was going.

Gus - Local Miami Beach artist

I was visiting Miami Beach during Art Basel. There were a lot of people and a need for crowd control. Since it was my first time in Miami Beach, I was unsure about the streets and a security guard was aggressively rushing people along. When I hesitated for a moment, the same guard proceeded to bark and scream at me to get out of the way. I retreated quickly, feeling startled and disoriented. A kind man saw the entire incident and warmly smiled at me, apologizing for the rudeness. He took the time to listen and got me going in the right direction.

Jessica - Miami Beach Tourist

One day while walking on Lincoln Road, I stopped to buy a couple of bags of candy to give to my children. I had an extra bag that no one wanted so I decided to give it away. There was a man nearby looking rather distraught and lonely. So I told my daughter to give him the extra bag whereby he readily accepted. Tears welled up in his eyes as he beamed a smile of total gratitude. It turns out that he had just lost his wife and was very lonely. As he walked away with a smile, a tear rolled down my

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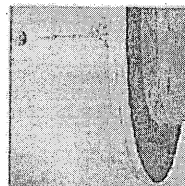
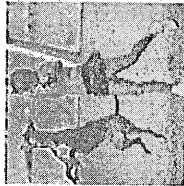
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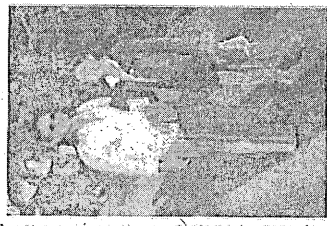
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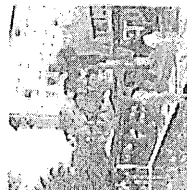
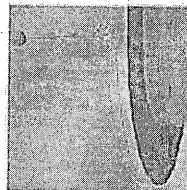
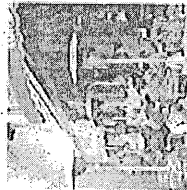
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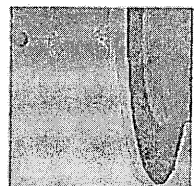
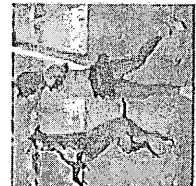
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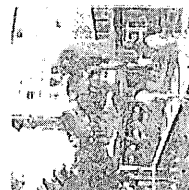
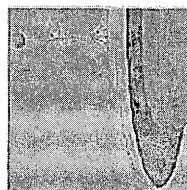
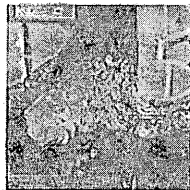
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- Homeowners associations
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- MB Magazine
- Web links to the MBCC, MBHA, MBHS, GMCVB
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## BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Convention Center Advisory Board  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Stuart Blumberg  
**CITY LIAISON:** Lenny Timor

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 2010:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

July 2010- Randall Hilliard Resigned from board to be apart of another committee
September 2010- Leon Mann is elected as Vice Chairman and Stuart Blumberg is elected as Chairman
September 2010 -Lenny Timor is appointed as the new City Liason
November 2010-Randall Hilliard is reinstated to the board

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

September 2010- Rent waiver for the Children's Holiday Party was approved. They received \$3,500 for room C123/126.
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**Future Meetings:**

**ADVISORY BOARD  
 MIAMI BEACH CONVENTION CENTER  
 1901 CONVENTION CENTER DRIVE  
 MIAMI BEACH,FL 33139**

**PROPOSED MEETING DATES 2011 @ 12 NOON**

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**                      DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:**                                      THOMAS DELUCA

**CITY LIAISON:**                                      RANDY CESAR, Boards Administrator

**DATE OF REPORT:** July 2010 through December 2010

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:**    5

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	Presentation/ DISCUSSED	Deferred/ CONTINUED	PRELIM REVIEWS	NO ACTION/ WITHDRAWN
Jul. 6	7	6					1
Aug. 3	7	5		1	1		
Sep. 7	2	2					
Oct. 5	C	A	N	C	E	LL	ED
Nov. 2	8	2			6		
Dec. 7	8	4		1	2		1
Totals	32	19	0	2	9	0	2

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 3</b>

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Fine Arts Board

**CHAIRPERSON:** Carol Housen

**CITY LIAISON:** Gary Farmer

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JULY 2010:** 6

**ACTIVITY:**

<u>Reviewed for certification the work of more than 100 street artist vendors.</u>
<u>Engaged Howard Alan Events, Ltd. to produce the 2011 Festival of the Arts.</u>

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Continue monthly certification sessions for street artist vendor applicants.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

See "Activities" above

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<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 2</b>

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** GLBT Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** Daniel Spring

**CITY LIAISON:** Rebecca Wakefield

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2010:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

Successfully recommended to the Commission the extension of bar hours during key GLBT event weekends
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Developed a Welcome to Miami Beach rainbow sticker program for LGBT-friendly businesses to post in their windows
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Provided feedback on police sensitivity training and the marketing of hate crimes hotline
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Assisted with Teen Suicide Vigil on Lincoln Road
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Began discussions of encouraging the development of senior housing for gays in MB
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**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Will continue to encourage a service mentality in police and service industry
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Will promote the 3 <sup>rd</sup> installment of the successful Gay Pride Parade



Will work to bring more gay business to Miami Beach

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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

See list of Activities (above)

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**CITY LIAISON:** Cliff Leonard

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD July 2010-December 2010: No Meetings/No Activity**

### ACTIVITY:

The reduction in medical providers (closing of South Shore) and economic conditions has resulted in a lack of interest/refusal to participate by the perpetual members. We have previously recommended that this Committee be discontinued.



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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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HEALTH FACILITIES AUTHORITY

**CHAIRPERSON: ARTIE UNGER**  
**CITY LIAISON: PATRICIA WALKER**

**ACTIVITY:**

[illegible]

## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

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### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Hispanic Affairs Committee  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Francis J Trullenque  
**CITY LIAISON:** Nannette Rodriguez

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 4

**ACTIVITY:**

The Hispanic Affairs Committee has continued its development as goodwill ambassadors to the Hispanic Community on behalf of the City of Miami Beach and the elected officials that appointed each representing member of the committee. Based on a the diversity report developed and distributed by the City Clerk's Office, the committee executed a diversity initiative to inform, promote and recruit citizen involvement within City Government. This is an initiative implemented by the Hispanic Affairs Committee members from the 2009 HAC board and continued throughout 2010.

The HAC partnered with the Parks and Recreation Department and participated in two annual events, The Eggstravaganza in April and the Hispanic Heritage Festival in September.

At the Eggstravaganza event, members worked to inform citizens of how to participate and influence City Government in order to best represent the various ethnicities that reside within City limits. Applications to propose appointment to City Boards were delivered and completed applications were turned into the City Clerks office for review.

The HAC committee held its annual honoring of Hispanic citizens by awarding various Hispanic residents that have gone over and above the call of duty to promote diversity and help our community with a Hispanic Heritage award presented at the Annual Parks and Recreation event at north shore park to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

This year's on-stage event was attended and supported by Mayor Matti Bower, Commissioner Gongora and Commissioner Jerry Libbin. Commissioner Jonah Wolfson has exhibited extraordinary support providing a Proclamation by the City of Miami Beach to Celebrate Hispanic Heritage within our community. The Proclamation was accepted by the HAC board at a well attended Commission September, 2010 commission meeting. Commissioner Ed Tobin further supported the HAC committee goals by personally calling each Hispanic Heritage Award recipient to thank and congratulate them on their efforts.

The committee has generated interest and support of our efforts by Mayor Bower, Commissioner Libbin and Administrator Leslie Rosenfeld whom have all attended meetings and helped to brainstorm how the HAC committee can expand its goals for

the year 2011. All commissioners and City Leaders have offered support and provided ideas to add to the HAC agenda for 2011.

The HAC committee through its liaison and chairman, Frankie Trullenque, has worked closely with the Community Relations Board and is a contributor and supporter of the recently launched goodwill campaign "SMILE." The HAC committee looks forward to further promoting the CRB efforts in spreading goodwill to the City of Miami Beach citizens and sharing a smile, which is indicative of our beautiful, diverse and good natured community.

### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

The HAC committee future activities calendar is to be set at the January, 2011 meeting. Line items discussed by the HAC to be included on the agenda are as follows.

- 1) Promote more direct Hispanic parental involvement with corresponding area schools and education programs within the densely populated Hispanic areas of Miami Beach. The focus for the HAC is to educate Hispanic parents on how the incoming IB program functions and promote parental involvement with the schools to create a successful transition to the new educational program and further promote educational success.
- 2) Continue HAC efforts to promote diversity and community involvement within City Government through citizen participation in city boards and community activities. The HAC looks to achieve this goal by growing our relationship with the Parks and Recreation department events and community services.
- 3) Promote Hispanic Heritage Awareness, the role Hispanics play in the betterment of our community and celebrate the extraordinary efforts of specific Hispanics that have gone above and beyond to help our community at large.
- 4) To continue to build bridges and partnerships with City Miami Beach Departments and CMB events to further educate the community at large regarding the heritage of Hispanic culture, contributions by Hispanics to our community, Hispanic music and food.
- 5) Work directly with the Community Relations Board to further promote and grow their campaign presented to the City Mayor and Commissioners to share a "Smile" in our city.

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- 1) Developed significant in-roads, interest in our committee activities, involvement and productive relationships with the Mayor, City Commissioners, fellow Community Boards & Committees, business leaders and the Hispanic community at large.
- 2) Maintained traditional HAC committee events and integrated HAC agenda to promote Hispanic culture, business, food and music.
- 3) Developed a bridge and direct involvement with other Committee activities such as the promotion and integration of Hispanic language to the recently launched "SMILE" campaign.
- 4) Provided acknowledgement to Hispanic citizens that have performed over and above the call of duty to help better the City of Miami Beach.
- 5) Worked at a grass roots level at partnered Parks and Recreation events to promote Hispanic culture awareness, diversity and citizen participation within City Government.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:** HERB SOSA

**CITY LIAISON:** RANDY CESAR, Boards Administrator

**DATE OF REPORT:** July 2010 through December 2010

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 5

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	PRESENTATION/ DISCUSSION	DEFERRED/ CONTINUED	PRELIM EVALS	NO ACTION/ WITHDRAWN
Jul. 13	C	A	N	C	E	LL	ED
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Oct. 12	12	10			1		1
Nov 9	12	6		5	1		
Dec. 14	14	8		1	4		1
Totals:	54	34	0	6	12	0	2

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Loan Review Committee

CHAIRPERSON: Barry Ragone

CITY LIAISON: Rocío Soto

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 0 (zero)

**ACTIVITY:**

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Commission for Women

**CHAIRPERSON:** Rosa Figarola & Elsa M. Orlandini

**CITY LIAISON:** Wanda Ortiz :

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010: 05**

**ACTIVITY:**

Our Committee has met monthly, except for in August since the beginning of the year.
Our mission statement is "The Miami Beach Commission for Women strives to assure that the women of the City of Miami Beach have full participation in the issues that have an impact on their lives. The Commission advises city officials of social, economic, and legal barriers that prevent women from obtaining meaningful roles in the family, the labor force, government and society as a whole working toward the elimination of those barriers. "
We have honored our mission by actively finding and participating in community based activities including sponsoring or co-sponsoring two events. In every meeting we discuss the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a.) Women's Health</li><li>b.) Domestic Violence</li><li>c.) Leadership for Girls</li><li>d.) Legislative Issues</li><li>e.) Women Worth Knowing</li><li>f.) Pay Equity</li></ul>



## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

We hope to have similar activities for the topics described above in 2011

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

### **October 2010**

#### **Domestic Violence Avoidance**

Event with the collaboration of the Latino Alliance and the Mayor's Office. We held an educational event which included information regarding the identification of domestic violence and access to services within Miami Beach and Miami-Dade County. The curriculum ran concurrently and participants were able to attend the program in Spanish and English. To allow participants to attend, the program also offered childcare. Please see attached fliers. We had approximately ##### participants attend this event.

### **November 2010**

#### **Leadership Symposium for High School Girls - Miami Beach Senior High in collaboration with Women of Tomorrow**

The theme of the event was "How to Get Ahead," and offered useful and motivational information and advice from strong female leaders in the community. The students heard from these successful community leaders how they knew what they wanted to do and how they went about achieving such goals. The speakers also addressed what they did make a difference and what they learned about what it takes to do so. The format of the event is a panel presentation to the 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade girls, followed by a question and answer session.

The participants scheduled were:

- . Elsa Orlandini (Emcee), Licensed Clinical Psychologist
- . Aletha Player, Area Manager in External Affairs, Florida Power & Light Company
- . Bonnie Crabtree, Senior Client Partner and Office Managing Director of Korn/Ferry International
- . Crista Villella, Ballet Mistress, Miami City Ballet
- . Jacqueline Roch, Pastel Artist and Beach High alumna

We had approximately 150 students attend the event.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Cultural Arts Council

**CHAIRPERSON:** Ileana Bravo

**CITY LIAISON:** Gary Farmer

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JULY 2010:**    5

**ACTIVITY:**

<u>Cultural Grants Programs: Issued contracts for 48 grants in Anchors, Junior Anchors, Cultural Presenters, Cultural Heritage and Artistic Disciplines programs, for a total of \$597,610 in grant funds for those programs for 2010/11.</u>
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<u>Received \$62,500 from the Miami Beach Arts Trust for the Miami Beach Arts Gala Grants Program, for which 38 proposals were received.</u>
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<u>Launched redesign of mbculture.com website.</u>
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<u>Managed Community Benefit Fund Rental Fee Waiver program for the Fillmore Miami Beach</u>
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<u>Contracted with Friends of the Bass Museum, Inc. to expand its in-school education program IDEA @The Bass to include every 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom in Miami Beach</u>
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<u>Reviewed guidelines, applications and score sheets for the Cultural Grants programs and adopted improvements</u>
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<u>Monitored contract with Arts for Learning/Miami to continue after-school arts programs for Miami Beach students.</u>
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<u>Continued to promote Miami Beach cultural events through monthly press releases and weekly e-blasts.</u>
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<u>Monitored performance of contracted grantees and processed final reports and payments.</u>
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Monitored operations of Colony and Byron Carlyle Theaters.
Began application process for FY 2011/12 Cultural Grants programs

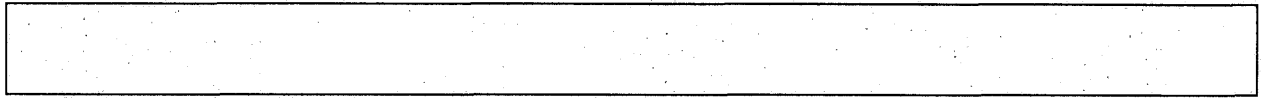
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**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Continue investigation of paperless grants processes and implement online grants for FY 2012/13
Launch mbculture.com marketing program
Convene grants panel meetings for FY 2011/12 Cultural Grants programs
Plan SLEEPLESS NIGHT 2011 (November 5, 2011.)
Continue to monitor contracts with Bass Museum, Arts for Learning and grantees
Review applications, attend grants panel meeting and recommend Cultural Tourism grants for FY 2011/2012.
Recommend, approve and issue contracts for Miami Beach Arts Gala Grants

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

See "Activities" above



<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 3</b>

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Sister Cities Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** George Neary

**CITY LIAISON:** Diana Fontani Martinez

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 2011:** 10

**ACTIVITY:**

The Miami Beach Sister Cities International Program, administered by the Office of the Mayor, engages the people of Miami Beach and its sister cities abroad in partnerships and exchanges that promote trade, economic development, cultural awareness and educational opportunities.

George Neary was appointed Chairperson in August 2009 and new committee members were appointed in January 2010. Our current Sister Cities consist of Nahariya, Israel; Brampton, Ontario; Fortaleza, Brazil; Almonte, Spain; Pescara, Italy; Ica, Peru; Fujisawa, Japan; Cozumel, Mexico; Basel Switzerland; Santa Marta, Columbia. We also have a friendship city relationship with Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

We are in the process of finalizing all our Sister City relationships. We also had an inaugural reception that took place in May. We invited all the consulates and chamber of commerce from our respective Sister Cities. We had a great turnout.

Currently all Sister Cities representatives have the task of outreaching to their respective Sister City and their foreign government officials to share ideas regarding municipal services and programs.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

George Neary and Nuccio Nobel attended the Sister Cities International Annual Conference Albuquerque, New Mexico.

We unveiled the Sister Cities plaque that was placed on the Fourth Floor of City Hall for November.

We will be hosting the 2010 Young Artists and Young Architects Showcase, "Your World" here in Miami Beach from May 1<sup>st</sup>- June 15<sup>th</sup>. Location to be determined.

We hosted a young-adult exchange with Fujisawa at the end of August-early September that went really well. The purpose of the exchange is for the young adults to learn the value of cultural diversity and the importance of community service. We are hoping to send Miami Beach students to Fujisawa next.

We hosted the Mayor and two Councilmen of Nahariya in November.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**



Sister Cities International announced today the winners of the 2010 Young Authors and Artists Showcase. **Kaho Kosugi** of Fujisawa, Japan, sister city of Miami Beach, was selected as the International Grand Prize Winner in the Art category for her submission entitled "My Making the World." Ms. Kosugi will receive a complimentary registration to the Youth Leadership Conference, July 27-August 1 in Albuquerque, New Mexico and \$1,000 for travel expenses.


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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME: PERSONNEL BOARD**

**CHAIRPERSON: ELSA URQUIZA**

**CITY LIAISON: RAMIRO INGUANZO**

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2010 - DECEMBER 2010: 3**  
**SEE ATTACHED ATTENDANCE REPORT.**

**ACTIVITY:**

Classified Performance Evaluations – Reviewed past due performance evaluation reports for Classified Employees.

Updated the Board on Union Negotiations/Union Contracts.

Updated the Board on the Fiscal Year 2010/2011 Budget.

Reviewed and updated the Special City Awards from the Personnel Board. Two new categories were added: the One Team, One City Award and the Employee of the Year Award.

Nomination Forms for the Special City Awards from the Personnel Board were made available in English, Spanish and Creole.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

- Continue monitoring Performance Evaluation Reports and past due evaluations.
- Hear appeals, conduct investigations, review administrative interpretations of the Personnel Rules and direct administrative action consistent with its findings.
- Discuss and review the Special City Award nominations, and select winners in the following categories: (1) One Team, One City Award (2) Beyond the Call of Duty Award, (3) City Betterment Award, (4) Community Volunteer Award and (5) Customer Service Award.
- Approve new job specifications and amend job description as needed.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

With the Board's and Human Resources' assistance, City departments continue to decrease their past due evaluations, achieving an overall improvement from previous years.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** PLANNING BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:** JONATHAN FYRD

**CITY LIAISON:** RANDY CESAR, Boards Administrator

**DATE OF REPORT:** July 2010 through December 2010

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 7

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	Presentation/ DISCUSSED	Deferred/ CONTINUED	PRELIM REVIEWS	NO ACTION/ WITHDRAWN
Jul. 27	13	4	1		7		1
Aug. 10 Special Meeting	1	1					
Aug. 24	12	8	1		3		
Sep. 28	11	6	1		4		
Oct. 26	6	4	1		1		
Nov. 16	7	5			2		
Dec. 14	7	3			4		
Totals	55	31	4		21		1

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM****POLICE CITIZENS RELATIONS COMMITTEE****BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Police Citizen Relations Committee**CHAIRPERSON:** Frank Kruszewski**CITY LIAISON:** Chief Carlos Noriega**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 5**ACTIVITY:****Minutes of July 20, 2010**

Members present:

Danny Aronson	Beverly Aberbach
Dina Dissen	Sharon Kersten
Sidney Goldin	Faye Goldin
Meredith Burns	Frank McMahon
Jared Plitt	Steve Oppenheimer
Frank Kruszewski	Hope Fuller
Dov Kōnetz	Nelson Gonzalez

**Presentation on Identity Theft by Detective Rick Arias:****Discussion Topics: Identity Theft Presentation Agenda**

1. What is Identity Theft
2. What information is stolen
3. Types of Identity Theft
4. How they obtain your information
5. How you can protect yourself
6. What to do if you are a victim

**Minutes of September 21, 2010**

Members present:

Steven Oppenheimer	Antonio Hernandez Jr.
Sharon Kersten	Danny Aronson
Frank Kruszewski	Beverly Aberbach

Glenda Krongold  
Sidney Goldin  
Dov Konetz  
Nelson Gonzalez

Faye Goldin  
Jared Plitt  
Hope Fuller

#### **Presentation by the Community Affairs Unit:**

**Community Affairs Office (CAO)** includes the Public Information Officers (PIO), Neighborhood Resource Officers (NROs) and is supervised by the CAO Sergeant. The CAO Sergeant is also responsible for managing and overseeing the City's external vendor security guard contract. The PIO coordinates the flow of information between the police department and the media. They issue press releases, handle information requests, and provide interviews to representatives of the media. They also respond to scenes of newsworthy incidents and coordinate activities between the media and department personnel.

Neighborhood Resource Officers (NROs) are vital liaisons between the police department, residents, and business owners in Miami Beach. Their primary responsibility is to address issues and concerns that are ongoing and address quality of life issues. Part of their duties involve attending local homeowners meetings and education of residents in the methods of crime prevention.

They also conduct individual residential or commercial crime prevention surveys. These surveys are intended to "target harden" homes or businesses, and make it less vulnerable to criminals who might otherwise view it as an easy target. NROs also work with other City departments to resolve troublesome issues such as illegal dumping and prostitution, and any other neighborhood concerns. There are three NROs assigned to the different geographic areas of Miami Beach.

#### **Minutes of October 19, 2010**

Members present:	Jane Dee Gross	Antonio Hernandez Jr.
	David Smiley	Jared Plitt
	Jared Dokovna	Daniel Aronson
	Dina Dissen	Hope Fuller
	Glenda Krongold	Steven Oppenheimer
	Nelson Gonzalez	

#### **Presentation of the 2010-2011 MBPD Budget:**

1. Citywide Key Intended Outcomes for the Police Department:
  - Maintain crime rates at or below national standards.
  - Increase resident ratings of public safety services.
  - Increase visibility of police.
  - Enhance mobility throughout the City.

2. Sworn Personnel:

2006	386
2007	403
2008	396
2009	381
2010	370

3. Civilian Personnel:

2006	164
2007	166
2008	148
2009	149
2010	140

4. Year 2000 plus six year comparison of all part 1 UCR offenses:

2000	14093
2004	10411
2005	9294
2006	8697
2007	8877
2008	9205
2009	9345

2004 vs. 2009 Crime has dropped -10.24%

2008 vs. 2009 Crime has increased +1.52%

5. Year 2000 plus six year comparison of violent crimes (homicide, forcible sex offenses, robber, and aggravated assault.

2000	1313
2004	1247
2005	1173
2006	1115
2007	1072
2008	990
2009	906

2004 vs. 2009 violent crime has decreased -27.35%

2008 vs. 2009 violent crime has decreased -8.48%

6. Year 2000 plus six year comparison of property crimes (burglary, larceny and auto theft)

2000	11070
2004	9164
2005	8121
2006	7582
2007	7805
2008	8215
2009	8439

2004 vs. 2009 property crime has decreased -7.91%

2008 vs. 2009 property crime has increased +2.73%

7. Year 2000 plus six year comparison of arrests:

2000	8316
2004	11408
2005	10903
2006	13708
2007	14917
2008	13719
2009	13338

8. Calls for service 9-1-1 Center (Police Only)

2004	144,120
2005	137,417
2006	144,748
2007	148,885
2008	134,656
2009	138,941

9. Calls for service 9-1-1 - Center (Police and Fire)

2004	171,284
2005	168,037
2006	170,860
2007	176,412
2008	159,552
2009	159,483

10. Budget



2005	\$61,372,608
2006	\$67,738,027
2007	\$75,252,774
2008	\$76,957,768
2009	\$80,798,978
2010	\$81,127,849

11. Major Accomplishments of the MBPD for fiscal 2009/2010:

- Achieved International and State Re-Accreditation status through both the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA). The department was Awarded the highest status level of Re-Accreditation by CALEA, "FLAGSHIP" status.
- Comprehensive plan successfully implemented for Orange Bowl Events, SUPERBOWL XLIV and the Pro Bowl Events hosted on Miami Beach and in Miami-Dade County in February 2010.
- Implemented the Red Light Camera Program that is anticipated to potentially generate \$2 million annually.
- Pursued and Awarded grants to supplant the decreased resources from the General Fund and acquire needed technology items, training simulators, and Patrol Special Units equipment.
- Ensured methods were implemented to effectively manage and contain overtime expenses.
- Implemented NEW WORLD SYSTEMS Computer Aided Dispatch System, Field Base Reporting, Records Management System, Case Management System and currently implementing the Automated Tracking of Stored Property and Evidence.
- Comprehensive plans successfully implemented for Spring Break and Memorial Day Weekend Events resulting in decreased arrests, decreased citizen complaints, and reduced incidents of crime.
- The Patrol Division managed police resources to an Israeli Solidarity Rally at the Holocaust Memorial. It was estimated that there were 10,000 supporters and up to 2000 counter demonstrators. As a result of the MBPD measured response the event was a success from a law enforcement perspective.
- The Patrol Division worked with the CID and the United States Secret Service to secure Vice-President Joseph Biden's visits to the Fontainebleau Hotel on March 5 & 6, and October 29, 2009.
- In August of 2009, the RDA Squad developed the Anti-Theft Beach Operation to curtail an increasing number of beach thefts. The plan included high visibility patrols for prevention contact with subjects, and a covert surveillance effort. Officers were issued bicycles as part of their undercover operation. The detail resulted in 19 felony arrests, 16

misdemeanor arrests and 42 field interviews.

- In October, Officer Larry Marrero was awarded honorable mention for the IACP Officer of the Year for saving the life of a suicidal man who jumped into the waters off Government Cut.
- The Criminal Investigations Division achieved a 100 percent clearance of the 7 homicides committed in 2009, by either arresting or identifying all subjects involved. This is due to the team approach and effective use of crime scene evidence, crime analysis and effective interviews of subjects.
- Various criminal investigations conducted by SIU investigators resulted in the seizure of \$302,298, 5 vehicles, 17 firearms and 10 laptop computers.

#### 12. Future Challenges for the MBPD:

- The Property & Evidence Unit is rapidly running out of space to store confiscated property and evidence. This has become more evident after an audit conducted by the Office of Internal Audit. Long-term planning has to explore more efficient storage both on and off site as well as funding.
- Economic conditions causing a rise in unemployment in South Florida, combined with the problems associated with the housing and construction industry due to the widespread sub-prime mortgage default rate will likely result in significant increases in crime.
- Continued Major Events and high volume of Calls For Service which translates to greater public safety service demands and workload in a time of declining resources.
- Maintaining acceptable Customer Service Levels with a declining level of sworn and non-sworn personnel positions.
- Maintaining optimum productivity with fewer personnel.
- Meeting the challenges associated with sophisticated cyber crime and white collar crimes.

#### **Minutes of November 16, 2010**

Members present:	Steven Oppenheimer	Frank Kruszewski
	Jared Dokovna	Sharon Kersten
	Jane Dee Gross	Faye Goldin
	Beverly Aberbach	Antonio Hernandez Jr.
	Dina Dissen	Dov Konetz
	Jared Plitt	Glenda Krongold
	Hope Fuller	Nelson Gonzalez

#### **Presentation of the 2010 Holiday Enhancement Plan/Crime Reduction Plan:**

The Police Department's end of year proactive initiative "Holiday Enhancement / Crime Reduction". will commence on November 26, 2010 and will conclude on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

The months of November and December are traditionally busy months for City of Miami Beach as tourists from around the world transcend to our City. The intent of "Holiday Enhancement /

Crime Reduction” initiative is to provide an enhanced level of police visibility and public safety throughout the city. This initiative is designed to target criminals who may take the holiday shopping season as an opportunity to commit crimes on Miami Beach.

As part of this initiative, a high visibility uniformed police officer component has been added and is directed citywide in all the business districts as well as residential areas. This component will consist of foot patrols, bicycle patrols, and both vehicle and motorcycle patrols. The goal of this component is for the citizens, visitors, and shoppers to see uniformed police officers in as many areas as possible and for these officers to be ready to respond to any need for assistance.

In addition to the increase in uniformed officers throughout the city, an undercover proactive component will be implemented to address crimes of opportunity. These undercover officers will be directed based on daily crime analysis and information. As information is received and trends are identified, undercover officers will saturate targeted areas to apprehend criminals prior to crimes taking place. This undercover component will have the flexibility to address potential crime areas city wide.

The combination of high visibility uniform presence and undercover capabilities are being implemented as a holistic plan to aggressively curtail criminal activity during one of our City’s busiest periods and improve our visibility. This initiative will involve on-duty personnel from all divisions from within the department with a limited overtime component working together in a collaborative effort to deter crime.

As we initiate our “Holiday Enhancement / Crime Reduction” plan, the police department will continue to make every effort to proactively and innovatively combat crime, to improve public safety, and the quality of life for the citizens of Miami Beach.

#### **Minutes of December 21, 2010**

Members present:	Frank Kruszewski	Antonio Hernandez Jr.
	Jared Dokovna	Steven Oppenheimer
	Hope Fuller	Dina Disen
	Beverly Aberbach	Jared Plitt
	Sharon Kersten	Jane Dee Gross
	Doy Konetz	Nelson Gonzalez

#### **Presentation of the 2010 New Year’s Eve Weekend Plan:**

For the past decade, the City of Miami Beach has been a popular New Years Eve destination for both local visitors and tourists. The City is once again providing a fireworks display with expected attendance of approximately 12,000 people. Ocean Drive will be closed for vehicular traffic allowing cafes, bars, and restaurants along the western portion of the sidewalk to extend

their venues to the middle of the roadway. The road closure will be in affect from Friday 12/31 at 0400 hours through Monday, 1/3 at 0700.

This year the Orange Bowl Committee has events planned in the Ocean Drive area. Events will run from Friday, 12/31 through Saturday 1/2. Police staffing for the Orange Bowl events are being staffed by off-duty police officers and private security.

As in previous years, enhanced staffing is being utilized to address police issues throughout the City. This will begin on Friday, 12/31 at 1100 hours and continue through Monday 1/3 at 0700 hours. In addition to enhanced staffing, there was a modification made to regular shift hours. The 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon will begin their shift early at 2100 hours on Friday, 12/31. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon will be held over on Saturday 1/1 until 0300 hours. The additional overlap will maximize police staffing during the peak period for New Years.

#### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

##### **POLICE/CITIZENS RELATIONS COMMITTEE 2011 CALENDAR**

January 18, 2011	May 17, 2011	September 20, 2011
February 15, 2011	June 21, 2011	October 18, 2011
March 15, 2011	July 19, 2011	November 15, 2011
April 19, 2011	August 16, 2011	December 20, 2011

All of the above meetings will be held in the Community Room of the Miami Beach Police Department at 6:00 p.m.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- The Police/Citizen's Relations Committee provides the means for a better understanding of the policies and procedures of the Miami Beach Police Department.
- The Police/Citizen's Relations Committee affords the Miami Beach Police Department the opportunity to communicate to the community information regarding current events, changes in the Police Department, and allows for community

concerns to be brought to the attention of the Chief of Police.

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**CHAIRPERSON:** Jane Hayes

**CITY LIAISON:** Cliff Leonard

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2010: 3**

### ACTIVITY:

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Continue identification and reporting of hazards. Use of email for ongoing concerns adopted by committee.

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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Identification and notice of numerous hazards resulting in repairs and possible reduction to public injury.




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December 2010

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Sustainability Committee**CHAIRPERSON:** Commissioner Jonah Wolfson**CITY LIAISON:** Fred Beckmann, Director of Public Works**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 2010:** 6**ACTIVITY:**

To identify and promote policies and practices with the City of Miami Beach aimed at achieving a sustainable environment, as well as minimize negative impacts and maximize benefits to the environment.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Encourage Commission to adopt the City of Miami Beach Sustainability Plan at January 2011 Commission; continue to engage in issues that are relevant to the Plan's program areas and support enhancing the environmental sustainability of the City.

Help organize and participate in community events that relate to sustainability and green living, such as the "Mayors Green Initiatives for Economic Growth" that was held on August 25, 2010 at the Miami Beach Convention Center.

Continue efforts toward improving recycling participation throughout the City including enhancing education by developing an outreach campaign to implement the Recycling Ordinance (should it be passed in Spring 2011)

Begin planning for Earth Day event in April 2011 to educate the public about green initiatives. Continue to educate the public about green resources, programs and initiatives, including updating the Green Initiatives website.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Supported City Public Works Staff America Recycles Day event, which took place on November 21, 2010 and brought together various companies from the recycling industry, nonprofit organizations, the County, City Public Works Sanitation and Environmental staff.

<p>Provided comments/input on the City Sustainability Plan and voted to move the Plan to City Commission, with the inclusion of Committee member comments. Plan is going to Commission in January 2011.</p>
<p>Provided comments/input on the Proposed Leaf Blower Ordinance, an item brought to the Committee by Commissioner Gongora. The Leaf Blower ordinance was passed by Commission on November 17, 2010 and went into effect on November 27<sup>th</sup> 2010.</p>
<p>Provided critical commentary and recommendations for the development of the City's DRAFT Recycling Ordinance, which passed Land Use Committee on December 12, 2010 and was recommended for Finance in January 2011.</p>
<p>Supported the development of two community recycling drop-off locations (one in South Beach and one in North Beach) to help provide access to recycling for multi-unit dwelling- residents in the City while the Recycling Ordinance is being developed. In addition, continued to support the successful implementation of Right-of-Way recycling program through the City, including major parks, beach entrances, Lincoln Road, Collins Avenue, and Ocean Drive.</p>
<p>Held a recycling Sub-Committee Meeting that is developing outreach and education strategy to improve recycling accessibility and compliance.</p>
<p>Hosted various presentations, including representatives from CDM on the Stormwater Master Plan, EcoBatt on battery recycling, AMERESCO energy conservation plan, ISI Energy on transformer energy savings, Global Spectrum on greening the Convention Center, and EcoMedia on green communications.</p>

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM**  
**JULY THROUGH DECEMBER 2010**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** TRANSPORTATION & PARKING

**CHAIRPERSON:** MARK WEITHORN

**CITY LIAISON:** SAUL FRANCES

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JANUARY 2010:** FIVE (5)  
(AUGUST RECESS)

**ACTIVITY:**

**July 12, 2010:**

- Port of Miami Tunnel Project
- 1-395 Project Presentation
- Proposed Sidewalk Improvement at Indian Creek & Abbott Ave
- Miami-Dade Transit Line-Up Update
- Creation of Ordinance Requiring Private Garages to Post Rates at Street Level
- Discussion on SWOOP Miami
- Status Report Items:
  1. Parking Status Report – April 2010

**September 13, 2010:**

- Port of Miami Tunnel Project
- SWOOP Miami Update
- Taxicab on Sidewalks on Collins
- Maintenance & Security Issues on the Boardwalk between 23<sup>rd</sup> & 47<sup>th</sup>
- Proposed New Parking Rates & Parking Funds
- Decobike, LLC/Bicycle Rental Program Update
- Status Report Items:
  1. Parking Status Report – May 2010

**October 4, 2010:**

- Port of Miami Tunnel Project
- 1-395 Update
- SWOOP Miami
- Loading Zones/Commercial Deliveries Update

**November 1, 2010:**

- Port of Miami Tunnel Project
- Presentation Regarding the City's Grants Management Office
- Discussion on People's Transportation Plan (PTP) Surtax (1/2 cent tax)
- Status Report Items:
  1. Parking Status Report – June, July & August 2010

**December 13, 2010:**

- Update on SWOOP Miami Draft Ordinance
- Port of Miami Tunnel Project
- Commercial Loading Zones
- Decobike Station Locations
- 2011 Meeting Calendar
- Status Report Items:
  1. Parking Status Report – September & October 2010

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

**July 12, 2010:**

**Port of Miami Tunnel Project:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#201-2010)**

**1-395 Update:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#201-2010)**

**Creation of Ordinance Requiring Private Garages to Post Rates at Street Level:**

- **Motions Passed & LTC Forwarded:**

- The Transportation & Parking Committee recommends for City to amend ordinance to require public and private garages and parking lots to post rates at street level, so that vehicles can see rates before having to pull into garage – **(LTC #205-2010)**

**September 13, 2010:**

**Port of Miami Tunnel Project:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#248-2010).**

**SWOOP Miami:**

**Committee is against SWOOP Miami actively soliciting riders – recommends that SWOOP Miami be restricted by the County's Noise Ordinance of 100 feet.**

**Proposed New Parking Rates & Parking Funds**

- **Motions Passed:**

- The Transportation and Parking Committee moved/approved that any excess parking revenue be used for parking and transportation items.
- The Transportation and Parking Committee recommends that parking rates and hours of operation remain the same.

**October 4, 2010:**

**Port of Miami Tunnel Project:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#269-2010).**

**1-395 Update:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#269-2010).**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded alerting Mayor & City Commission regarding FDOT attending MPO to ask for construction funding of 1-395 (LTC#270-2010).**

**November 1, 2010:**

**Port of Miami Tunnel Project:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#299-2010).**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded – concern on new guidelines passed by Federal Government in regard to maximum weight of trucks (LTC#307-2010).**

**December 13, 2010:**

**Port of Miami Tunnel Project:**

**Letter to Commission (LTC) forwarded providing update (LTC#334-2010).**

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

• Bike Stations Update
• Car Sharing Update
• Expansion of Pay-on-Foot Stations
• Collins Park Garage
• North Beach Garage
• Valet Parking Franchise Initiatives
• Sunset Harbor Garage - Updates
• Commercial Loading Zone - Updates
• SWOOP Update

**\*\*Please see pages 4-5 for Public Works Future Activities\*\***

**PUBLIC WORKS - TRANSPORTATION DIVISION PROJECTS – January 2011**  
**Transportation and Parking Committee Bi-annual Report**

<b>Projects</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Completion</b>
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Transportation Projects	Rehabilitation to Sunset Drive Bridges 1 & 2 and Henedon Ave Bridge.  Roadway improvements to Indian Creek Drive from Abbott Avenue to 71 <sup>st</sup> Street and to Dickens Avenue from 71 <sup>st</sup> Street to 87 <sup>th</sup> Terrace. Improvements include milling and resurfacing, pavement markings and striping. Bike lanes will be striped where feasible.	Completed  December 2011
Transportation Element	The Transportation Element for the City of Miami Beach Comprehensive Plan was approved by the City Commission and submitted to the Florida Department of Community Affairs for approval.	Ongoing with other elements of the Comprehensive Plan
16 <sup>th</sup> Street Operational Improvement/Enhancement Project – Phase II	City staff has conducted a portion of the design in-house in order to reduce design fees, and is looking into funding alternatives to further reduce the gap for construction funding for this project. The scope of work for the stormwater improvements is estimated to be developed by January 2011, and design will follow.	September 2013
West Avenue Bridge	FHWA approved a Categorical Exclusion Type II Class of Action Determination for the environmental permitting phase, which requires a project development and environment (PD&E) Study. City staff is initiating the PD&E study in coordination with the Florida Department of Transportation.	Ongoing
Traffic Calming Manual	The City of Miami Beach Traffic Calming Manual is finalized and will be taken to the City Commission for final approval. On a parallel track, the Intergovernmental Agency agreement is being finalized in coordination with the County, and will also be taken to the City Commission for execution.	Ongoing
Traffic Calming Pilot Program & Miscellaneous Traffic Calming Projects	Results of the evaluation of the Traffic Calming Program have been submitted to the County. The evaluation indicates the devices are performing well.	Ongoing
Audible and Countdown Pedestrian Signals	As required by the County, the City will be upgrading the existing audible pedestrian signals with new software. Subsequently, the City will begin planning the installation of both countdown and audible pedestrian signals at approximately nine (9) new selected locations.	Ongoing
Alton Road, Michigan Avenue to 63 <sup>rd</sup> Streets – Elimination of bulb-outs and widening of on-street parking	Per residents' request, City staff is coordinating with FDOT to develop a design to eliminate the existing bulb-outs and widen the on-street parking lane on Alton Road, from Michigan Avenue to 63 <sup>rd</sup> Streets.	Ongoing

**Coastal Communities Transportation Master Plan (CCTMP)**

Dickens/ 71 <sup>st</sup> Intersection Improvements	Phase I Intersection Study was completed and a public workshop was held on October 15, 2008. City staff is conducting Phase II with the consultant, which is anticipated to be completed in Spring 2011.	Ongoing
Collins Avenue Operational Improvements (63 <sup>rd</sup> St. – 75 <sup>th</sup> St.)	FDOT is currently constructing improvements on Collins Avenue, from 63 <sup>rd</sup> to 75 <sup>th</sup> Streets, which are scheduled to be completed by March 2011.	March 2011

**Coastal Communities Transit Study (CCTS)**

North Beach Local	Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) has been using the recommendations in the CCTS to make decisions on the consolidation of bus routes and other changes as part of their efforts to reduce transit service due to funding shortfalls. On December 13, 2009, MDT replaced Routes K and R with a new local circulator route for Middle and North Beach called the Route 115/117. City staff is currently monitoring the impact of the Route 115/117 on transit riders in North Beach and Middle Beach.	Ongoing
South Beach Local (SBL)	On June 27, 2010, MDT realigned the SBL bus route at Collins Park, Belle Isle, and at Alton Rd near between 6 <sup>th</sup> St. and 9 <sup>th</sup> St.  City staff is currently negotiating the renewal of the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between MDT and the City for the operation of the SBL, and plans to present the terms of the new agreement to the TPC in February 2011.	Ongoing
Intermodal Transit Center Feasibility Study	City staff is planning intermodal improvements in North Beach in the vicinity of 72 <sup>nd</sup> Street and Harding Avenue, as well as in South Beach, in the vicinity of Lincoln Road and Washington Avenue.	Ongoing

**Bicycle program**

Atlantic Greenway Network	The Bikeways Master Plan was adopted by the City Commission in October 2007. The plan will be updated on an as-needed basis. The Bikeways Committee requested for the plan to be revised to incorporate bicycle facilities on state highways to improve bicycle safety and connectivity.	Ongoing
Dade Boulevard Bike Path	City staff is in the process of executing an agreement with a contractor. Construction is estimated to begin in January 2011. Construction will begin on the eastern limit of the project along Washington Court.	Ongoing
Washington Avenue Shared Lane Pilot Project	City staff is conducting a pilot project on Washington Ave from South Pointe Drive to Dade Boulevard to evaluate shared lane pavement markings. Construction is scheduled to begin by the end of December 2010 and will take approximately four (4) weeks to complete. The pilot project will include a before and after evaluation of the pavement markings.	February 2011



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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Visitor and Convention Authority

**CHAIRPERSON:** Elsie Sterling Howard

**CITY LIAISON:** Grisette Roque Marcos

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2010:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

**July 14, 2010** - The minutes from the May 26, 2010 board meeting were approved.

The grant for the Collins Park Green Market and Monthly Arts Walk was reviewed by the Board. Motion by Mr. Adkins to let the grant stand at \$15,000 as originally awarded. Seconded by Mr. Menin. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant for the redesign of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce website was reviewed. Motion by Ms. Steinberg to grant \$34,000 for the Miami Beach Guest Program with the caveat that VCA funded events and information, as well as City of Miami Beach information be included as part of the site. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Motion passes unanimously.

The Film Incentive Grant Program was rolled over into the 2010/2011 fiscal year. Motion made by Mr. Adkins to roll over for the Film Incentive Grant Program to the 2010/2011 fiscal year. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Motion passes unanimously.

An update on the Airport/Seaport Committee, Lincoln Road Beautification Sub-Committee, and Shop Miami Beach were provided to the board.

**September 14, 2010:** The minutes from the July 14, 2010 board meeting were approved

The 2010/2011 VCA budget was approved. Motion by Ms. Hertz to approve the 2010/2011 budget. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant request from the Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau was reviewed for the Miami Spice banners. Motion by Ms. Hertz to grant \$15,000 for the Miami Spice Banners. Seconded by Mr. Adkins. Mr. Lehman abstained. Motion passes.

Motion by Ms. Hertz to grant \$7,500 to Ability Explosion 2010. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Mr. Lehman abstained. Motion passes.

Motion by Ms. Hertz to grant \$50,000 for the 2010 National Minority Supplier Development Council Conference & Business Opportunity Fair with a commitment to return to Miami Beach in the future. Motion amended by Mr. Lehman to grant \$25,000 for the 2010 National Minority Supplier Development Council Conference & Business Opportunity Fair. Amendment accepted by Ms. Hertz. Seconded by Mr. Menin. Ms. Castillo abstained. Motion passes.

Motion by Ms. Castillo to grant \$10,000 for Design Miami. Seconded by Ms. Ross Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Lehman to grant \$35,000 for the NASCAR Championship Drive. Seconded by Ms. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Hertz to grant \$10,000 for the Taste of Peru: 1st Peruvian Gastronomic Fair. Seconded by Mr. Lehman with the caveat that the sales and marketing dollars be dedicated to the travel component of the event. Amendment accepted by Ms. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

Ms. Howard spoke about the Residential Committee of Mayor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Tourism's new Architecture Photo Essay Contest for Miami Beach school students. The new contest will be available September 20, 2010 with the contest deadline being November 15, 2010.

The Residential Committee of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Tourism's new Architecture Photo Essay Contest for Miami Beach school students was announced.

**September 21, 2010:** The grant for the Florida International Wine Challenge was reviewed by the board. Motion by Mr. Lehman to keep award of \$10,000 as originally funded. Seconded by Ms. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$24,000 for The Customer and You – Certificate Program in Service. Seconded by Ms. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Lehman to grant \$30,000 for the 2010 Miami International Wine Fair. Seconded by Ms. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Lehman to grant \$35,000 for the 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of White Party Week: Muscle Beach. Seconded by Ms. Hertz. Mr. Menin abstained. Motion passes.

Motion by Ms. Hertz to grant \$100,000 for Art Basel Miami Beach 2010. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$75,000 for the ING Miami Marathon and Half Marathon and Tropical 5K. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Lehman to grant \$68,000 for the 2010-2011 Orange Bowl Football Game and Ancillary Events. Seconded by Ms. Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Hertz to grant \$30,000 for Miami Beach Guest. Seconded by Mr. Adkins. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$30,000 for the Miami Beach Watersports Center. Seconded by Ms. Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Lehman to grant \$10,000 to the Tourist Hospitality Center to be used towards the re-development of the website. Seconded by Ms. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

**October 11, 2010:** The board held a strategy meeting to discuss the VCA item on the Finance Committee meeting held on November 3, 2010.

**November 30, 2010:** The September 14, 2010 and September 21, 2010 meeting minutes were approved by the board. Motion by Mr. Adkins to approve the September 14, 2010 and September 21, 2010 meeting minutes. Seconded by Ms. Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Steinberg to grant \$30,000 to the 13.1 Marathon Miami Beach. Seconded by Mr. Adkins. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$35,000 to the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Music Conference. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Steinberg to grant \$25,000 to Aqua Girl Festival 2011. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$45,000 to Miami Beach Gay Pride. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$40,000 to the Miami International Boat Show & Strictly Sail.

Seconded by Ms. Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkin to grant \$20,000 to Nautica South Beach Triathlon. Seconded by Mr. Menin. Motion passes unanimously.

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Motion by Ms. Steinberg to grant \$50,000 to Miami Beach International Fashion Week. Seconded by Mr. Adkins. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Menin to grant \$100,000 to the 2011 Food Network South Beach Wine & Food Festival. Seconded by Ms. Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$70,000 to the Miami International Film Festival. Seconded by Ms. Castillo. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Adkins to grant \$58,000 to the South Beach Comedy Festival. Seconded by Ms. Steinberg. Motion passes unanimously.

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

The next meeting of the Miami Beach Visitor and Convention Authority will take place Monday, January 24, 2011 at 3:00 pm.

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

A grant in the amount of \$34,000 was awarded for the Miami Beach Guest Program with the caveat that VCA funded events and information, as well as City of Miami Beach information be included as part of the site.

A grant in the amount of \$15,000 was awarded for the Miami Spice Banners.

A grant in the amount of \$7,500 was awarded to Ability Explosion 2010.

A grant in the amount of \$25,000 was awarded for the 2010 National Minority Supplier Development Council Conference & Business Opportunity Fair.

A grant in the amount of \$10,000 was awarded for Design Miami.

A grant in the amount of \$35,000 was awarded for the NASCAR Championship Drive

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DECEMBER 2010

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Waterfront Protection Committee**CHAIRPERSON:** Ana Cordero**CITY LIAISON:** Lisa Botero, Environmental Manager**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2010:** 6**ACTIVITY:**

To identify and promote policies and practices within the City of Miami Beach aimed at achieving a clean and safe beach, support the sustainable use and enjoyment of the beachfront, as well as minimize negative impacts and maximize benefits to the beach and dune resource.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Continue to protect the natural coastline from further erosion and ensure that the City monitors the upcoming County's Beach Renourishment efforts and urges the County and Federal government to react to local needs.

Continue to ensure that all special events on the beach have a minimal impact on the natural resources, control vehicle abuse during events, and ensure that the public has adequate access to the public resource during large beach front events.

Continue to promote cleanliness and safety on the beach through education and outreach and coordination with various departments on enforcement and maintenance issues.

Continue to work with concessionaires to remove the concessionaire trailers that are illegally parked in the area west of the hardpack and east of the dunes.

Provide educational material to beachfront properties regarding the City's Turtle Lighting Ordinance to promote compliance and move toward enforcing the regulation on violators.

Continue to endorse for the establishment of security boxes for use by beach goers.

Continue to support the installation and maintenance of adequate exercise equipment at beachfront parks.

Continue to promote extending public beachfront bathroom operating hours.

Continue to support the establishment of a designated smoking area on the beach which includes ash trays or similar amenity for disposal of cigarette butts in order to help eliminate cigarette butts

on the sand and address health safety concerns associated with second hand smoke.
Continue to endorse granting of authority to security guards to issue citations for quality of life issues such as illegal vendors, bicycles on the boardwalk, and dogs without leashes.
Continue to recommend that the City's annual Budget include sufficient resources to address quality of life issues such as alcohol consumption on the beach, dogs without leashes, illegal vendors on the beachwalks and boardwalk, litter, smoking and cigarette butts.
Continue to discuss various issues and concerns associated with feral cats on the beach, dune, and spoil area.

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Supported the interdepartmental /jurisdictional efforts (Beach Maintenance Task Force) to improve beach cleanliness and maintenance issues between the dune and beachfront areas.
Reported violations and supported Code Enforcement to take action against illegal vendors on the beachwalk and boardwalk.
Established closer working relationships with Marine Patrol, Beach Patrol, Code Enforcement and Police Department to provide information to the Committee on infractions and levels of resource use in order to better advise Commission on policy issues.
Supported the City's application for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Coastal Partnership Initiative Grant to complete a comprehensive Dune Management Plan.
Supported the development of the Adopt-a-Beach program.
Supported Miami-Dade Coastal Clean-up Day (September 25, 2010).
Provided observer reports relating to issues affecting the City's beaches and beachfront areas and thereby helped to increase enforcement of beach-use regulations.





## BOARD AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Scott Rakow Youth Center Advisory Board

**CHAIRPERSON:** Jeff Gordon

**CITY LIAISON:** Ellen Vargas

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE January 10:** 5

Jan 21, March 4, April 22, June 2, October 6, 2010

### ACTIVITY:

The Scott Rakow Youth Center serves in an advisory capacity to the City Commission, City Manager and the Director of Parks and Recreation on matters related to the successful operations and programs of the Scott Rakow Youth Center. The Board shall interact with other Boards, governmental agencies and civic groups on an as needed basis to foster the success of the Scott Rakow Youth Center's goals and objectives.

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Discussion and review new and existing youth programs.
- Continued review of CIP/constructions updates.
- Continued discussion of lack of parking for the Scott Rakow Youth Center.
- Discussion on the problems of the dogs on the golf course

### FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

The Scott Rakow Youth Center main building is under construction since August 3, 2009 and the Advisory Board will continue to discuss present and future planning and programs.

- Continue the monitoring and evaluation of the on-going recreation programs and services offered at the Scott Rakow Youth Center.